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Responsive to the notification dated March 24, 2004, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.53(f), Applicants submit herewith a Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63.

The required fee was paid at the time of filing the application.

A check in the amount of \$130.00 is attached to cover the required fee for the late filing of the executed declaration.

A copy of the notification is also submitted herewith.

The Declaration enclosed herewith adequately identifies the above-identified application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.63, as set forth in MPEP Section 601.01.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Please charge any underpayment of fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 23-2185. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. §119(e)				
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States application, or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

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